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SUBJECT : Additional Questions on NIE 11-11-55: Some
Implications for the USSR of a System of Inter-
national Armaments Inspection

1. Pursuant to the attached G-2 request for an SNIE on Soviet ability to evade arms limitations, the IAC agreed on 19 July that this subject could be covered in a preliminary way in NIE 11-11-55, provided the 30 August deadline for this estimate could still be met. (IAC-M-204, item 7) It was also suggested at the IAC meeting that a few general paragraphs on this subject were the most that could be undertaken at this time and that a more detailed analysis could be undertaken later.

2. In view of the above, it is requested that your contributions to NIE 11-11-55 include whatever general observations you are able to make at this stage on the evasion problem. We recognize that relatively little analysis can be made of this problem until the nature of proposed arms limitations and inspection provisions are spelled out in more detail.

3. Contributions to NIE 11-11 are due 1 August, and the target date to the IAC is 30 August. However, if necessary the due date for this supplementary contribution can be postponed to no later than 4 August.

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SUBJECT: Request for Special National Intelligence Estimate

TO: Director, Central Intelligence

1. The recent Soviet proposals for a reduction of armaments contains a recommendation as to the number of military personnel certain major powers would be permitted to maintain in their defense establishment. The forces of the USSR and US would be limited to not more than 1,500,000 personnel; and, assuming a Soviet force of this size, it would be necessary for the USSR to reduce their present force by 2,500,000. However, it would be possible for the USSR to adopt various measures to circumvent this reduction. Military units could be maintained at reduced strengths and brought rapidly up to authorized strengths by utilizing trained reserves and a highly efficient mobilization system. Present security forces could be converted to civilian status and maintain their present capability for internal security. Logistical and administrative functions could be accomplished by civilian organizations or individuals.

2. In view of these and other possible Soviet measures to circumvent limitations on the size of their armed forces, it is requested that a special NIE be produced on a priority basis. This estimate would be intended to provide planners and policy makers with a complete analysis of the Soviet ability to evade limitations.

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